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The following are enclosed:

1. X An application containing no new matter and including a 21 page disclosure, 6 pages of claims, a 1 page abstract of the disclosure and a copy of the Declaration signed by the inventor in the parent application.
2. X **The Commissioner is authorized to charge the filing fee as calculated below, less any claims canceled by amendment below, and any additional fees which may be required, to the Credit Card indicated on the accompanying PTO-2038.**
- 3.a. X A copy of the Election and Power of Attorney in the prior application.

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- 3.b. A new Power of Attorney.
4. X An Assignment of record for the prior application.
5. X Three (3) sets of **Formal Drawings**, each set consisting of 1 sheet.
- 6.a. A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed.

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- 6.b. _____ A verified statement claiming small entity status was filed in a parent application and small entity status is still proper and desired in this continuing application.
7. X A Preliminary Amendment.
8. X An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449.

 X Please address all correspondence in connection with this application to **Michael G. Fletcher, Fletcher Yoder, P.O. Box 692289, Houston, Texas 77269-2289; telephone (281) 970-4545.**

_____ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)


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